

BEFORE THE
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN

Alternative Telecommunications Utility-Other Telecommunications
Provider and No Activity in Wisconsin Alternative Telecommunications
Utility-Other Telecommunications Provider Annual Reports for the
Year Ended December 31, 2004, Filed by Competitive Local Exchange
Carriers and Video Distance Learning Providers on a Confidential Basis

INFORMATION REGARDING CONFIDENTIAL FILINGS

This information is being provided to assist competitive local exchange carriers (CLECs) or alternate exchange carriers (AECs) and certain video distance learning providers (VDLs) who wish to request confidential handling of portions of their Alternative Telecommunications Utility-Other Telecommunications Provider (OTH) or No Activity in Wisconsin Alternative Telecommunications Utility-Other Telecommunications Provider (OTH-No Activity in Wisconsin) annual reports. The statutory filing date for either the OTH or OTH-No Activity in Wisconsin annual report covering 2004 calendar-year operations was April 1, 2005; 153 CLEC and VDL entities were required to file either report for the 2004 calendar year.¹ The Commission has the authority to compel the filing of either annual report pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 196.07.

OTH Annual Report

The 2004 OTH annual report (for those CLECs and certain VDL entities with activity in Wisconsin) is contained in the 2004 Annual Report Program for Alternative

¹ Most CLEC and VDL entities have filed a required 2004 OTH or OTH-No Activity in Wisconsin annual report with the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin (Commission). Those entities do not need to take any additional action at this time.

Information Regarding 2004 OTH and OTH-No Activity in Wisconsin Annual Report Confidential Filings

Telecommunications Utility-Other Telecommunications Providers. As a result of informal discussions with selected industry representatives, a number of changes from the 2003 OTH annual report are reflected in the 2004 OTH report.² The changes, as detailed on the Commission's web page, include schedule additions, deletions, and modifications. Also, increased confidentiality capability has been incorporated in the 2004 program.

For the 2004 OTH annual report program, which was released on February 11, 2005, the Commission has continued a paperless-filing process. The 2004 OTH program contains capability allowing users to file selected portions of the report on a provisional confidential basis as detailed below.³

Based on the authority delegated to the Administrator of the Telecommunications Division on March 11, 2004, the complete list of items eligible for provisional confidential treatment in the 2004 OTH annual report program consists of the following schedules and identified information:

1. Income Statement–Wisconsin Total Operations Schedule (p. 7)–All dollar amounts in the This Year (000's) column, including totals (if at least one of the summing amounts is locked).
2. Total Company Balance Sheet Schedule (p. 8)–All dollar amounts in the Balance–End of Year (EOY) (000's) column, including totals (if at least one of the summing amounts is locked).

² The 2004 OTH annual report also requires OTH entities to report all dollar amounts to the nearest thousand dollars. (Example: \$130,000 should be reported as \$130. Dollar signs or commas should not be typed when entering dollar amounts or numbers in the program.)

³ The 2004 OTH annual report program contains padlocks allowing users to file selected information on a confidential basis. However, a particular item is only accorded provisional confidential treatment if the padlock associated with that item is locked.

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3. Telecommunications Plant in Service & Accumulated Depreciation & Amortization–Wisconsin Schedule (p. 12)–All dollar amounts in the Additions This Year (000’s), Plant In Service EOY (000’s), Acc. Depr. & Amortization EOY (000’s), and Net Plant in Service EOY (000’s) columns, including totals (if at least one of the summing amounts is locked).
4. Operating Revenues Schedule (pp. 14-15).
 - a. All user–entered descriptions in the Particulars column; and
 - b. All dollar amounts in the columns labeled Wisconsin–Based Intrastate (000’s), Wisconsin–Based Interstate (000’s), Wisconsin–Based Total (000’s), and Total Company (000’s), including totals (if at least one of the summing amounts is locked).
5. Year–End Number of Lines Schedule (p. 16).
 - a. Residential Wisconsin–Based Total (Actual No.); and
 - b. Business Wisconsin–Based Total (Actual No.).
6. Central Office Data–End of Year Schedule (p. 19).
 - a. Access Lines–In Use;
 - b. Trunks–In Use;
 - c. ISDN Lines–In Use (BRI);
 - d. ISDN Lines–In Use (PRI);
 - e. DSL–In Use (# lines);
 - f. Digital Service Available: DS–1–In Use;
 - g. Digital Service Available: DS–3–In Use;
 - h. Digital Service Available: OC–3–In Use;
 - i. Fiber Transmission Facilities: No. of fiber strands entering C.O.;
 - j. Fiber Transmission Facilities: No. of fiber strands working (LIT) in C.O.;
 - k. Fiber Transmission Facilities: No. of fiber strands for interoffice use; and
 - l. Fiber Transmission Facilities: Miles of fiber sheath in wire center.

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7. Assessable Revenues Schedule (p. 20)—All dollar amounts in the This Year (000's) column, including Total Assessable Revenues for Remainder and Telephone Relay Assessment Purposes (if at least one of the summing amounts is locked).

Unless a CLEC or VDL entity desires additional provisional confidential treatment of any portion of the 2004 OTH annual report, all 2004 OTH annual report filings must be accomplished via the 2004 OTH annual report program's e-mail capabilities with an encrypted, zipped attachment containing the exported 2004 annual report information, together with an export status report, edit check listing, and listing of schedules with confidential locks.⁴

Filing of the 2004 OTH annual report using the 2004 OTH annual report program will result in the remaining portions of the report being available to the public. Any CLEC or VDL entity wishing to file additional portions of its 2004 OTH annual report on a confidential basis should note the particular procedures, as detailed on the Commission's web page, associated with this program which must be followed for a manual annual report filing. Any CLEC or VDL entity wishing additional confidential handling must submit a request, in accordance with Wis. Admin. Code § PSC 2.12, as part of their ERF manual filing. Subsequent to such manual filing, the Commission will issue a confidentiality determination in accordance with the rule. If the Commission denies a request for confidential handling, the information will be handled confidentially until 14 days after the determination, after which it will be posted on the Commission's website along with the remainder of the annual report.

⁴ Program instructions direct that if a user desires additional provisional confidential treatment above that provided in the OTH annual report form, the user should not electronically file the annual report. Instead, the user should follow the required manual filing procedures for the OTH program posted on the Commission's web page (<http://psc.wi.gov>) for filing via the Electronic Regulatory Filing (ERF) System.

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OTH-No Activity in Wisconsin Annual Report

The 2004 OTH–No Activity in Wisconsin annual report is contained in the 2004 Web Annual Report Program for ARW, CMR, CTV, RES, and OTH–No Activity in Wisconsin Providers. The 2004 OTH–No Activity in Wisconsin annual report, a new report option for those CLECs and certain VDL entities with no activity in Wisconsin for the 2004 calendar year, only requires signature information, an attestation of no activity in Wisconsin for the report year, identification and contact information, and, if applicable, annual report notes.⁵ For the 2004 OTH–No Activity in Wisconsin annual report program, released on January 5, 2005, the Commission has continued a paperless filing process; unlike the OTH report, the web-based application does not require the downloading of a program to the annual report user’s computer. Each CLEC and VDL entity required to file the 2004 OTH–No Activity in Wisconsin annual report was sent a letter dated January 5, 2005, containing a password to be used to access the OTH–No Activity in Wisconsin annual report program for completion and filing of these annual reports.⁶ The 2004 OTH-No Activity in Wisconsin program does not contain capability allowing users to file any portion of the report on a confidential basis. Unless a CLEC or VDL entity desires provisional confidential treatment of any portion of the 2004 OTH–No Activity in

⁵ Initially, Commission staff identified approximately 70 CLEC and VDL entities that it believed qualified for the 2004 OTH-No Activity in Wisconsin annual report based on filed 2003 OTH annual report information or entities which were newly certified by the Commission in 2004. Actual 2004 calendar year activity in Wisconsin dictates whether or not a particular entity qualifies for the attestation of no activity in the state, as contained in the 2004 OTH-No Activity in Wisconsin report, or instead must file the OTH report.

⁶ The letter states that if, for a particular reporting year, an entity does not qualify for the OTH-No Activity in Wisconsin annual report, it should contact Commission staff for instructions concerning filing of the OTH annual report.

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Wisconsin annual report, all 2004 OTH–No Activity in Wisconsin annual report filings must be accomplished via the web-based application.⁷

Filing of the 2004 OTH–No Activity in Wisconsin annual report using the web-based application will result in the entire report being available to the public. Any CLEC or VDL entity wishing to file a portion of its 2004 OTH–No Activity in Wisconsin annual report on a confidential basis should note the particular procedures, as detailed on the Commission’s web page, associated with this program which must be followed for a manual annual report filing. CLEC and VDL entities wishing confidential handling must submit a request, in accordance with Wis. Admin. Code § PSC 2.12, as part of their ERF manual filing. Subsequent to such manual filing, the Commission will issue a confidentiality determination in accordance with the rule. If the Commission denies a request for confidential handling, the information will be handled confidentially until 14 days after the determination, after which it will be posted on the Commission’s website along with the remainder of the annual report. Dated at Madison, Wisconsin, June 29, 2005.

For the Commission:

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